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Sir:

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Attached is English-language International Preliminary Examination report, and the references cited therein, for the international application related to the above identified application.

A Form PTO 1449 listing a total of seven references is attached. The references are two U.S. patents, one German Application, one international application, and three other references.

The relevance of the German Application is discussed in English in the International Preliminary Examination Report. The relevance of SOLVAY S.A. Brochure, BR. 1566a-B-1-0396, pages 1-12, (March. 1996) is that it discloses a dry process of fume purification with sodium bicarbonate and recycling of the sodium containing waste products, as discussed in the application. Seifen-Ole-Fette-Waschse, pages 849-858, (Nov. 20, 1968) includes an English language abstract on page 849 and is discussed in the application.

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In view of the above, all requirements of 37 CRF 1.97 ff and all official guide lines pertaining to Information Disclosure Statements have been complied with, and it is therefore respectfully requested that the Examiner consider the references and make them of record. No new matter has been introduced.

Respectfully submitted,

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